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1. IN TRIAL OF NFDYS THIS MORNING AT TEN AM, THE COURT MARTIAL'S PANEL JUDGES PASSED DEATH SENTENCES TO SIX STUDENTS AND WELL-KNOWN POET, KIM CHI HA (KIM YOUNG-IL). NAMES ARE AS FOLLOWS: LEE CHUL, YU IN-TAE, YO DONG-AM, KIM BYONG-KON, NA BYUNG-SIK, KIM YOUNG-IL, AND LEE HYUN-BAE. CHARGE IS ATTEMPTED COUP TO OVERTHROW THE GOVERNMENT AND SET UP PRO-COMMUNIST REGIME. THE JUDGES ALSO PASSED LIFE IMPRISONMENT TO SEVEN OTHER DEFENDANTS: YU KUN-IL, KIM HYO-SOON, CHUNG MOON-HAAR, HWANG IN-SUNG, SU JOONG-SUK, AN HO-RO, LEE KUN-SUNG. TWENTY YEAR PRISON TERMS WERE HANDED DOWN TO TWELVE, AND FIFTEEN YEAR PRISON TERMS TO SIX OTHER DEFENDANTS. ALL DEFENDANTS WILL HAVE RIGHT TO APPEAL.

2. SUGGEST DEPARTMENT PREPARE PRESS GUIDANCE IN RESPONSE
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